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February Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 899 million pounds of milk during February, down 2.9 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,100 pounds for February, unchanged from February 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 428,000 head for February, down 13,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during February totaled 16.7 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from February 2021. January revised production, at 18.2 billion pounds, was down 1.5 percent from January 2021. The January revision represented a decrease of 19 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,887 pounds for February, 3 pounds above February 2021. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.88 million head, 77,000 head less than February 2021, but 3,000 head more than January 2022.

Milk Production - Michigan and 24 Selected States: February 2021 and 2022

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
Cows	441	428	8,954	8,877
Monthly rate per cowPounds	2,100	2,100	1,884	1,887
ProductionMil lbs	926	899	16,871	16,747